

FOSTER CREEK CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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North Central Area Association of Conservation Districts

MEMORANDUM

To: All North Central Area Conservation Districts and Interested Persons

From: Foster Creek Conservation District, 2005 Area Meeting Host

NOTICE OF FALL AREA MEETING

The 2005 Annual Fall Meeting for the North Central Area Association of Conservation Districts will be held this year as follows:

Date: Monday, October 3, 2005

Time: 8:30am to 4:00pm

Location: Dry Falls Café, Coulee City (see attached map)

An Agenda for the meeting is attached.

Resolutions proposed for action at this year's meeting should be mailed to the Foster Creek Conservation District in advance of the meeting. The proponent should bring enough copies of each proposed resolution for everyone present (about 50) to the meeting. Please be sure to use the attached resolution format.

<u>Area Gift for WACD Convention</u> – Please bring one or two small items to donate for the area gift that represents your District or County. Thank you.

<u>Please RSVP</u> no later than September 20th, 2005 on the enclosed form, indicating your expected attendance at the meeting so we can plan for your participation. The cost for the day will be \$10.00 per person. Please send your prepayment with your RSVP and make checks payable to **Foster Creek Conservation District**. Any cancellations must be received by noon on September 27th, 2005 to receive a refund. No refunds will be made after that time.

Thank you for your participation. We look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Sincerely,

/S/

John McLean, Chair

Foster Creek Conservation District, Area Meeting Host

Please Note: This notice has been sent to all supervisors and associate supervisors with the North Central Area Districts.

Dry Falls Café:

509-632-5634 Highway 2 & Highway 17 Coulee City WA 99115



Directions:

The Dry Falls Café is at the intersection of Highways 2 and 17 at the south end of Banks Lake, just west of Coulee City.

RSVP

NORTH CENTRAL AREA ASSOCIATION MEETING

Hosted by
Foster Creek Conservation District
At
Dry Falls Café, Coulee City

Please help us make suitable arrangements for this meeting by letting us know if you plan to attend.

We need to have your reservation by: September 20th, 2005

Please complete the Area Meeting RSVP form and mail it to:

Foster Creek Conservation District P.O. Box 428 Waterville, WA 98858

NORTH CENTRAL AREA MEETING RSVP

Names:	
Contact Person:	
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Contact Address:	
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	Number of persons we may expect:
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AREA ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING

October 3rd, 2005 Dry Falls Café, Coulee City

AGENDA

8:30 a.m.	Registration			
9:00 a.m.	Welcome and Self Introductions Approve Minutes and Treasurer's Report	John McLean, Host CD Chair		
9:15 a.m.	Commission Operations Report	Mark Clark		
10:15 a.m.	Coffee Break			
10:30 a.m.	NRCS Report	TBA		
11:30 p.m.	WACD Report	Paul Stoker		
12:00 p.m.	Break for lunch			
1:00 p.m.	Area Directors Report	John Preston, Area Director		
1:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m.	Area Directors Report Coffee Break	John Preston, Area Director		
-	-	John Preston, Area Director John McLean		

- EXAMPLE - DRAFT RESOLUTION FORM

WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION OF CONSERVATION DISTRICTS

<u>Title:</u> Changes in procedure to remove area from a district, to dissolve a district, and concerning debts of a dissolved district.

Problem:

Current law is unclear concerning the procedure for areas such as municipalities to remove themselves from a conservation district. This has led to the claim that a municipality may remove itself from its district by a simple vote of the city council. The law needs to be clarified in this regard and needs to provide a more substantial process for the deannexation of areas from districts.

Additionally, recent lawsuits have suggested that in the event of the insolvency of a district, current law may only require that the district be dissolved for the Conservation Commission to become liable for the outstanding debt. This creates a risk to the Commission because current law only requires a petition of 100 land occupiers to require an election to dissolve a district. There needs to be a change in the law to assure that districts may not be so easily dissolved and to protect Conservation Commission (and district) funds from depletion through possible litigation.

Recommendation:

WACD should support legislative action to clarify that removal of territory such as a municipality from a district requires a more substantial process for deannexation than just a vote of the city council.

WACD should support legislative action to increase the requirements for the dissolution of a district and to remove the liability of the Conservation Commission for the debts of dissolved districts.

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